

# A Message from Marina

## October 2019

Dear Neighbor,

Fall is my favorite season in Wisconsin! Have you heard about our big budget news? The County Executive included the planning and design funds I requested to expand the South Shore Terrace and improve the northern storage area of the building. This project will bring us more enjoyable space and more revenue to the county!

Speaking of the budget, you can view the County Executive's proposed budget and see the timeline for adoption in this e-news, and you can have your voice heard at my town hall meeting with Supervisor Haas and at the County Board public hearing.

Lastly, it has been fun seeing so many of you in our wonderful neighborhood! From the Bay View Bash, to the Beulah Brinton Open House to speaking at the Time of the Month Club, we have been busy! It is always my pleasure to serve our district.



County Board Supervisor, District 4

## SAVE THE DATE

(Details on all events inside)

**Now through October 20:** China Lights

**October 16-29:** Pumpkin Pavilion in Humboldt Park

**October 26:** Last South Shore Farmer's Market this year!

**October 28:** Budget Town Hall at Humboldt Park

**November 4:** Public Budget Hearing

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# Milwaukee County District Updates

## BIG NEWS! South Shore Terrace Expansion Planned

Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic joined **Parks Director Guy Smith** to announce that the proposed 2020 Milwaukee County budget includes the funding Marina requested for the planning and design of an expanded South Shore Terrace beer garden.

For over a decade, Supervisor Dimitrijevic has energetically helped deliver county resources to revitalize South Shore Park and other parks in her district. In recent months she has strongly advocated for the expansion of the South Shore Terrace, including the long overdue remodeling of the north side of the South Shore Pavilion, which is currently used for storage.

***“The planning funds proposed in the 2020 county budget will help us double the capacity of the beer garden while activating the unused northern storage area. If you like the South Shore Terrace now, you will love this expansion which will bring even more revenue to our county and continue to keep South Shore a regional asset for all to enjoy.”***

The project addresses the last area of South Shore Park that has not been improved during Dimitrijevic’s tenure. Its renewal will complete what has been a decade of renaissance in the South Shore.

*“Thank you to County Executive Abele for including the funding needed to start the process of expanding the successful South Shore beer garden in my district,” said Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic.*

Supervisor Dimitrijevic encouraged County Executive Abele to include at least \$50,000 in his proposed 2020 budget for planning and design work of the South Shore Pavilion’s beer garden, known as the South Shore Terrace.





# Milwaukee County Board Updates

## Upgrades, Renovation Plans for the Domes

The Domes Task Force has recommended an exciting plan to restore and improve our Mitchell Park Domes. You can view the full [159-page plan here](#), or the brief-er [PowerPoint here](#). We held a public hearing on the plan and response was very positive.



I want to hear from you. [Take my brief survey](#) to let me know what you think about the new plan.

## Milwaukee County's Free Birth Certificate Program

### *Expanding Voting Access and Youth Employment*



Milwaukee County's Free Birth Certificate Program will continue through the end of this year.

The Board of Supervisors provided funding in the 2019 county budget to cover the cost of accessing and printing 1,000 birth certificates. In response to public interest, **Register of Deeds Israel Ramon** approved funding for an additional 400 birth certificates through the end of the 2019. The Free Birth Certificate Program helps people get a photo ID for voting purposes, or, for youth aged 15-21, to apply for a job.

The program is available to anyone born in Wisconsin.

Those who wish to take advantage of the Free Birth Certificate Program can stop in to the Register of Deeds office at the Milwaukee County Courthouse, located at 901 N. 9th Street, Room 103, or by visiting <http://bit.ly/MKEBirthCert> for more information.

It typically takes 10-15 minutes to request and receive a copy of a birth certificate in person after an application has been completed and submitted.

# Milwaukee County Board Updates

## Milwaukee County Ends Contract Over Vendor's Actions At Southern Border

By Corinne Hess/WPR

Milwaukee County is ending its 25-year relationship with a national nonprofit organization because of the group's operations at the southern border of the United States.

On Sept. 19, the Milwaukee County Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) [sent a letter](#) to Austin, Texas-based Southwest Key terminating their contracts totaling \$2.5 million in 2018. Southwest Key currently operates the county's "JEDI" program, which is a substance abuse day treatment program for teens who are typically 15 to 17 years old. That contract runs through the end of 2019.

The organization also operated a GPS monitoring program for trouble youth. That contract is currently in the process of being renewed. Southwest Key submitted a request for proposal and was informed they will not be reconsidered.



**"I commend the administration for terminating our partnership with this billion-dollar family separation empire," said Dimitrijevic.**

Southwest Key also had two smaller agreements: Reach (Wraparound) Fee-for-Service Agreement and a Fee-for-Service Agreement for six services under the Children's Court Services Network. Milwaukee County Executive Chris Abele said although Southwest Key has done good work locally, the practices they profit from at the southern border are "cruel, unnecessary and unlawful."

"The cruel and inhumane treatment of children in some of the Southwest Key facilities does not align with who we are or what we believe in, and I am proud to take a stand for decency, justice and the values we all share as Americans," Abele said in a written statement.

Southwest Key currently employs about 40 people in Milwaukee County. Mary Jo Meyers, DHHS director, said she will work to find those employees jobs with other county contractors.

Southwest Key's shelters for unaccompanied minor are part of a federal shelter system that was [created in 1997](#) as a result of the [Flores Settlement Agreement](#). That agreement set limits on the amount of time and conditions under which children can be incarcerated in immigration detention.

Southwest Key operates 26 shelters for unaccompanied minors, with the majority along the U.S. border in Texas and Arizona. Those shelters are funded by the Federal Department of Health and Human Services.

Neil Nowlin, a spokesman for Southwest Key, said his organization doesn't make the decisions when it comes to immigration policy. He said the shelter care Southwest Key is doing is not new.

"What is new is the current dialogue on immigration and the distorted view some have of the services we provide," Nowlin said. "Refusing to care for an unaccompanied minor would likely have meant more time languishing in Border Patrol facilities. That was unacceptable to us as it would inflict more trauma on a child. It's disappointing that (Milwaukee County) would end our long-standing and successful partnership, but we are hopeful we can resume conversations about our work and services in the near future."

Milwaukee County officials said they will not reconsider a contract with Southwest Key.

**Milwaukee County Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic** said she contacted DHHS after a constituent raised concerns about the company profiting directly from family separation and detention policies.

"Milwaukee County should not be in the business of contracting with anyone that profits from the Trump administration's divisive and inhumane family separation and detention policies," Dimitrijevic said. "I commend the administration for terminating our partnership with this billion dollar family separation empire."

Meyers said she hopes the county's decision will prompt others to terminate their contracts with Southwest Key.



# Milwaukee County Board Updates

## Time of the Month Club Donation Drive

It was an honor to speak at the United Way recently to supporters of the Time of the Month Club about our efforts to address menstrual equity in Milwaukee County. Special thanks to **Time of the Month Club founder Jan Wilberg** for her tireless advocacy efforts year-round to restore dignity to people who are enduring personal hardship in Milwaukee County.

I'm proud that our legislation to provide menstrual hygiene products in Milwaukee County's busiest buildings is working to end inequities. The Time of the Month Club helps bring dignity to women without housing in our community.



**You can drop off menstrual hygiene product donations for people in need to the Milwaukee County Board lobby throughout the month.**





# Milwaukee County Updates

## Journey House Celebrates 50th Anniversary

50 years ago, Journey House opened their doors to serve the community and they are still going strong, serving 8,916 participants in 2018.

Journey House's work benefits children and families in Milwaukee's near South Side. I am grateful for **Dr. Michelle Bria's** leadership and was happy to take part in honoring the importance of Journey House for our South Side families.



Thank you, Journey House! Happy Anniversary from all of us.

## Beulah Brinton House Grand Opening



Congratulations to the Bay View Historical Society on the grand opening of the newly renovated Historic Beulah Brinton House!

Built in 1872 this treasure preserves the rich history of Bay View for all to enjoy.

As our neighborhood changes, we must remember our past and preserve the beautiful character that makes our Bay View wonderful.

Thanks to the **Bay View Historical Society** for preserving our rich and storied South Side history.



# Milwaukee County Parks Updates



## Take the Survey: MKE Bike/Walk Sign Plan

We're working with the City of Milwaukee to create standard directional signs for on and off road bicycle trails. Prototypes of possible signs have been placed at Gordon Park and Kozy Park —and we want to hear from you. Take the survey to see the prototype designs and select your favorites!

English: <https://bit.ly/2kCYPLn>

Spanish: <https://bit.ly/2mzdPKF>





# Marina in the Community

## Bay View Bash another Success!



I was so excited to be able to spend the day supporting the Bay View Bash again this year. We shared our table with Supervisor Haas and his family, and it was so fun to be able to meet and say hello to so many of you and your families. Thanks to all who stopped by to share your thoughts and thanks for improving our district. It was a truly great day, and I am so happy to have this successful event in our district.

In the afternoon, I even was able to pour beers at the Lakefront tent to support Bay View Montessori, where my son Rafael attends K-3.



# Milwaukee County Budget Update

## 2020 Budget: Balancing our Budget and Getting a Fair Deal

Thanks to everyone who came out to learn more about our County's work on its structural deficit last month. If you couldn't make it you can catch up here: [www.milwaukee.gov/fairdeal](http://www.milwaukee.gov/fairdeal).

Setting and adopting a balanced 2020 budget will be a difficult process of many hard choices. Choices about where to cut - instead of where to invest - due to a lack of adequate revenue. Available funding for next year is \$15 million less than what we need to maintain services and operations at current levels, which means we must cut \$15 million to balance the 2020 budget.

It's important for all county residents to know that the root cause of our annual budgeting challenges is a structural deficit, which leads to a lack of adequate revenue. In other words, the cost of county operations - providing services, staffing and maintaining facilities - goes up every year due to inflation, but those costs increase at a faster pace than available funding sources can keep up.

Due to this structural deficit, Milwaukee County has cut a cumulative \$278 million out of its budgets since 2012, an average of \$30 million each year. These kinds of cuts are unsustainable, which is why County Board Chairman Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., launched the Fair Deal initiative over a year ago.

The Fair Deal proposal offers a number of solutions for fixing the problem of inadequate revenue. One of those solutions is to give Milwaukee County voters control over the decision to bring in additional revenue, through a binding referendum that could be held as soon as next spring.



# Milwaukee County Budget Update

## Budget Timeline

On October 1 the County Executive released his budget proposal to the Board. [You can read it here](#). Over the past week the Comptroller's office studied the budget and released a long report on what it cuts, what it keeps, and what other changes are being made. That report was released October 7 and [is available here](#).

### 2020 MILWAUKEE COUNTY BUDGET TIMELINE

#### APRIL–SEPTEMBER 2019

The County's annual budget process for the following year starts in April. Over the next few months, departments present their budget requests and work with the Office of Performance, Strategy & Budget, the Department of Administrative Services, and the County Executive to develop the County Executive's budget proposal, known as the Recommended Budget.

#### OCTOBER 1, 2019

On or before October 1, the County Executive presents their Recommended Budget to the Board of Supervisors, per state law. *This may or may not be in person at a Board of Supervisors meeting.*

#### OCTOBER 2019

The County Board's Finance & Audit – Budget Committee reviews the Recommended Budget.

#### OCTOBER 7–11, 2019

The County Comptroller reviews the Recommended Budget and publishes their annual "Overview."

#### OCTOBER 14–18, 2019

Departments brief the Finance & Audit – Budget Committee on their budget requests.

#### OCT. 21–NOV. 1, 2019

County Supervisors present amendments to the Finance & Audit – Budget Committee, which recommends adoption or rejection.

#### NOVEMBER 4, 2019

The Board of Supervisors holds a public hearing on the budget.

#### NOVEMBER 12, 2019

The Board of Supervisors adopts amendments to the budget and then adopts the full budget.

#### NOVEMBER 19, 2019

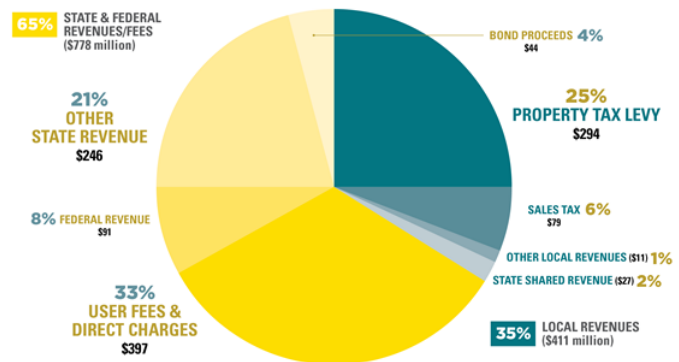
Possible Board of Supervisors meeting to consider County Executive vetoes (if any).

For the next several weeks the Finance and Audit Committee will hear departmental reports and consider proposed amendments. Supervisors will hold public hearings and town halls, and the Board will vote to adopt the budget in November.

Please join us at **our district's town hall at Humboldt Park 10/28** (flyer next page) and feel free to stop in to testify at our annual public hearing on 11/4 at the Marcus Center (flyer on the following page).

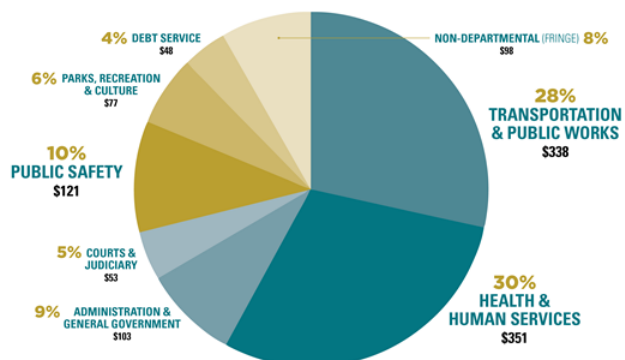
### Where does the money come from?

2019 MILWAUKEE COUNTY REVENUE BUDGET



### Where does the money go?

2019 MILWAUKEE COUNTY EXPENDITURE BUDGET





**Budget Time Is Here—I Want to Hear from You!**

# YOU'RE INVITED

MILWAUKEE COUNTY SUPERVISORS  
MARINA DIMITRIJEVIC AND JASON HAAS



DISTRICT 4



DISTRICT 14

INVITE YOU TO A

## TOWN HALL MEETING

TO DISCUSS THE  
2020 MILWAUKEE COUNTY BUDGET

**Monday, October 28, 2019**  
**6:00-7:00 p.m.**

**Humboldt Park Pavilion**  
**3000 S. Howell Ave.**

For more information, please contact Supervisor Dimitrijevic  
at (414) 278-4232 or Supervisor Haas at (414) 278-4252.

# Milwaukee County Budget News

## 2020 Budget Public Hearing Scheduled—Save the Date!

### MILWAUKEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ANNUAL PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2020 RECOMMENDED BUDGET



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MONDAY,  
NOVEMBER 4, 2019  
6:00 P.M. - DOORS AT 5:30 P.M.

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PERFORMING ARTS  
929 N. WATER ST. - MILWAUKEE

FREE PARKING in the Marcus Center structure, including spaces for persons with disabilities. One block north of the Marcus Center, between E. State St. and E. Highland Ave.

A skywalk crosses State St. from the parking structure to the Marcus Center. Access skywalk from parking structure stairs or elevator in southeast corner.



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## Bay View Pumpkin Pavilion



**October 16 - 19, 2019**  
HUMBOLDT PARK PAVILION



### Wednesday, October 16

- 5 - 9 pm Pumpkin Carving
- 6:30 pm Thriller Dance | Lesson

### Thursday, October 17

- 5 - 9 pm Pumpkin Carving
- 5:30 pm Thriller Dance | Lesson
- 7:00 pm Gnarenschiff
- 7:30 pm Thriller Dance | Lesson

### Friday, October 18

- 6 - 9 pm Horse-drawn Hayrides
- 7:00 pm **GRAND PUMPKIN LIGHTING**
- 7:10 pm *Bleed*
- 7:15 pm *Tom Burgermeister Magic (2 Shows)*
- 8:00 pm *Prismatic Flame Fire Dancers*

### Saturday, October 19

- 11:00am-1:00pm Pancake Brunch (hosted by the Lions)
- 3:00 pm 5k Race Registration
- 4:00 pm Kids Race around the Lagoon
- 4:30 pm Great Pumpkin Chase 5k
- 5:00 pm *Animals of the Night with Paula from the Domes*
- 6 - 9 pm Horse-drawn Hayrides
- 6:00 pm *Tom Burgermeister Magic (3 Shows)*
- 6:30 pm Thriller Dance | Performance
- 7:00 pm *The Quilz*
- 8:00 pm *Prismatic Flame Fire Dancers*



# Milwaukee County Parks Events



## China Lights Runs through 10/20

This year's China Lights is all new. We have made a ton of improvements, from better shuttle service and parking to more food and beverage choices. Get your tickets today: <http://www.chinalights.org/tickets/>

**SEPT. 13 - OCT. 20, 2019**

TriCity National Bank PRESENTS

**China Lights**  
*Treasures of China*  
at Boerner

- Over 40 amazing NEW lantern displays
- Expanded food and beverage choices
- Improved parking & shuttle service
- New interactive display area
- Priority access for online ticket purchases

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Amazed Audiences  
of All Ages"**

<b>ADULT</b> (age 18-59)	<b>\$20</b>
<b>CHILD</b> (5-17)	<b>\$12</b>
<b>YOUNG CHILD</b> (under 5)	<b>FREE</b>
<b>SENIOR</b> (60+)	<b>\$12</b>
<b>VIP TICKET</b>	<b>\$30</b>
<small>(VIP Package Includes: Early Admission (5:00 pm), Mobile Guide, plush panda, VIP Seat at Show, Private Tour at 5:15 pm, Optional Parade Participation at 6:15 pm)</small>	
<b>SEASON PASS</b>	<b>\$50</b>
<small>Unlimited Visits</small>	
<b>Limited complimentary parking - first-come first-served, lots open at 4:30 pm</b>	



# Milwaukee County Parks Events

	
2019	10:00 AM (unless noted)
<b>June 15</b>	<b>Geoff Marsh 9:30-11:15am.</b> Stunts, puppets, juggling & fire circus show!
<b>June 22</b>	<b>Julie Thompson N' Troy</b> Acoustic duo present classic songs from many genres & eras
<b>June 29</b>	<b>Sara &amp; Kenny</b> Italy meets Wisconsin - Classical meets Jazz original music
<b>July 6</b>	<b>Don Linke Jazz Quartet</b> Hard-swinging Mainstream Jazz
<b>July 13</b>	<b>Sweet Sheiks</b> Jazz & Pop from the teens, 20's, & 30's
<b>July 20</b>	<b>Tamarind Tribal Belly Dance 9:00am.</b> Lakeside Shake and Shimmy! <b>Peter Mulvey 10:00am.</b> Acclaimed veteran musical poet
<b>July 27</b>	<b>Nickel &amp; Rose featuring Ernest Brusubardis IV</b> Folk, Blues, Jazz & Country featuring some fine fiddlin'
<b>Aug. 3</b>	<b>The Tinker Boys</b> Classic Folk Rock & Americana with fiddle, guitar & harmonica Also <b>COMMUNITY DAY OUT</b>
<b>Aug. 10</b>	<b>Fox &amp; Branch</b> Family & kid's folk tunes
<b>Aug. 17</b>	<b>The Hokum Hotshots</b> Lil Rev trio presents uptempo blues, boogie & swing
<b>Aug. 24</b>	<b>Milwaukee Mandolin Orchestra</b> Antique Music for Modern Minds - founded in 1900
<b>Aug. 31</b>	<b>Painted Caves</b> Psychedelic Arab-American garage rock
<b>Sept. 7</b>	<b>The Tropical Tomorrows</b> Brazilian Beach Party!
<b>Sept. 14</b>	<b>Jesse Walker's Hitch</b> Dynamic Duo present Old-time Country & Blues
<b>Sept. 21</b>	<b>John Stano</b> Americana, Blues & Folk Singer/Songwriter - Bay View's own!
<b>Sept. 28</b>	<b>Emma Bo Peng</b> Classical Guitarist
<b>Oct. 5</b>	<b>Crissy Dzioba Clobes</b> Singer/Songwriter/Guitarist from the Whiskeybelles
<b>Oct. 12</b>	<b>Jahmes Finlayson</b> Songs & stories from Africa, the Americas & beyond
<b>Oct. 19 &amp; Oct. 26</b> the market will continue though there will be no market performers	

